



[Docket No.: **ED-2013-ICCD-0131**]

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Student Assistance General Provisions**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education (ED), Federal Student Aid (FSA)

**ACTION:** Notice

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**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing a revision of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

**ADDRESSES:** Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting Docket ID number ED-2013-ICCD-0131 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Room 2E103, Washington, D.C. 20202-4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions related to collection activities or burden, please call Kate Mullan, 202-401-0563 or electronically mail [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). **Please do not send comments here. We will ONLY accept comments in this mailbox when the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason.**

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Student Assistance General Provisions

*OMB Control Number:* 1845-0022

*Type of Review:* Revision of an existing collection of information.

*Respondents / Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments, Private Sector, Individuals or households

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 1,321,918

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 2,138,320

*Abstract:* The Department of Education is requesting a revision of the current burden hours in 1845-0022. Sections of the regulations in 34 CFR 668-Student Assistance General Provisions establish the standards to participate in the student financial aid assistance programs authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. Other sections of the regulations also establish required information that must be provided to students, the financial responsibility requirements of the institution, and the cohort default rates that apply to institutions. These regulations help to assure the Secretary that the integrity of the programs is protected from fraud and misuse of program funds. ED is administratively transferring a small amount of burden from sections 34 CFR 668.23 and 668.24 that previously were included in OMB Collection Number 1845-0038 to correct an error that was made in the transfer of this information collection from the Office of Postsecondary Education (1840) to Federal Student Aid (1845). There have been no changes to the statutory or regulatory language since the prior information collection filing.

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Privacy, Information and Records Management Services  
Office of Management

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